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OCEAN VOYAGE IMPROVES BOOZE

THE REASON WHY LOCAL IMPORTERS HAVE WHISKEY IMPORT-
ED BY WAY OF THE HORN—TIME SPENT ON THE ROLLING
DEEP COUNTS FOUR TIMES AS MUCH IN AGING LIQUOR AS
SHORE TIME.

Not everybody knows that a sea voyage is good for whiskey, but this is a fact, according to a well known local U. S. Revenue officer, and one which is taken advantage of by whiskey manufacturers and dealers to a considerable extent.

The beneficial effects comes from the fact that the motion of the ship and consequent agitation of the liquor in the barrels, produces the effect of "aging" much more rapidly than under the normal condition of storage in warehouses. This aging is necessary before whiskey is considered fit for consumption, four years being considered the minimum time for the purpose, every year additional improving the quality. Time appears to produce certain chemical changes by which certain oils become neutralized so that a properly aged whiskey of a test which, fresh from the still would be like so much molten lead, and would produce not very unlike effects on the human anatomy, becomes "mellowed" and "smooth," so that the connoisseur does not grab for a "chaser" of ice water as soon as he downs his eye-opener in the morning.

Time spent on the ocean is estimated to be equally to fully four times that on shore for aging liquor, and consequently much whiskey intended for the Pacific coast is shipped from the big Kentucky distilleries to New York by rail and thence on sailing vessels around the Horn, the three months or more required for the voyage being

considered equal to a year of other storage.

For the same reason a great deal of whiskey is regularly shipped from this country to Europe, and afterwards brought back, this sometimes being repeated several times. In Germany, especially there are a number of big warehouses owned by big whiskey dealers, in which liquor is constantly being brought in from America and taken out for re-shipment back again. The cost is not so heavy as it would seem since it is shipped as ballast or low rate freight on slow vessels—sailing ships when possible—and the principal cost comes from handling.

Some of the big distilleries have lately taken advantage of the fact that motion appears to improve whiskey, by constructing great rocking chairs in their warehouses which are kept in constant motion by machinery.

In former years it was the custom to store a great deal of whiskey in Honolulu to be afterwards reshipped to the United States, both for the reason that it benefitted from the sea voyage and because it was cheaper to store it here than on the mainland. In recent years, however, changed conditions have made this less profitable, and it is not often done now.

OLYMPIA CLUB FIRES A MEMBER

MAN WHO RESENTED CALHOUN'S
PRESENCE AT A BANQUET IS
EXPELLED.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 3.—The directors of the Olympic Club at a meeting last night expelled Dr. Charles A. Clinton from membership in that organization on a charge of conduct unbecoming a gentleman, which disturbed the harmony of the club and impaired its good name. The charges grew out of an incident at a dinner given recently in the club, with a view to increase its membership. Patrick Calhoun, president of the United Railroads, was present as the guest of Dr. W. B. Coffey. While the guests were filing out of the banquet hall Dr. Clinton started a demonstration against Calhoun. The committee in charge of the banquet, consisting of Jack Cunningham, L. A. Wittenmeyer, F. M. Spencer, A. J. Welch and Sam Joseph, preferred the charges against Dr. Clinton and last night was set for the hearing.

Dr. Clinton was present and was in a defiant mood. All the members of the committee also were present and gave their version of the affair. After a long discussion the directors voted unanimously to expel Dr. Clinton from the club. They adopted the following resolution, covering his case:

"Whereas, a statement in writing was filed with the club on July 23, 1907, charging Dr. C. A. Clinton, a member of the club, with conduct unbecoming a gentleman, and thereby disturbing the harmony and impairing the good name and injuring the prosperity of the club; and

"Whereas, said charges came on regularly to be heard before the board of directors on the second day of August, 1907, at 8 o'clock p. m., proof having been first made of due service of said charges upon the said Dr. C. A. Clinton as provided by the laws of the club; and

"Whereas, Dr. Clinton personally appeared at said hearing and filed a statement in writing constituting his defense to said charges, and evidence, both documentary and oral, having been accorded the said Clinton, the board of directors being fully advised in the premises, do find:

"First—That Dr. Clinton did at the time and place alleged in the said charges conduct himself in a manner unbecoming a gentleman and calculated to disturb the harmony and impair the good name and prosperity of the club.

"Second—Said Dr. Clinton made statements to certain of the newspapers of San Francisco regarding his actions and conduct at the time and place specified in said charges; that said statements so made were not and are not true and did disturb the harmony and impair the good name and did tend to injure the prosperity of the club; now therefore, be it

"Resolved, that said Dr. Clinton be and he is hereby expelled from membership in this club."

The directors elected William F.

WORLD'S NEWS BY CABLE

CHICAGO, August 12.—A general strike is expected within twenty-four hours.

The broker and press telegraph operators have demanded an increase of pay. Labor Commissioner Neill, President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor and Small will confer on the situation next Thursday.

The last named is probably Prof. Albion Woodbury Small, head of the department of sociology in the University of Chicago, a prominent sociologist and political economist.

BARNEY JOY VICTORY.
SAN FRANCISCO, August 12.—Barney Joy, the Hawaiian baseballist, yesterday pitched his fifth straight victory.

NEW YORK STRIKE FRIDAY.
NEW YORK, August 12.—The telegraph operators here have postponed their strike until Friday.

FANATIC MOORS.
ALGIERS, August 12.—A battalion of sharpshooters has been ordered to Morocco.

FOR PEACE.
THE HAGUE, August 11.—Through their delegates at the Peace Conference the governments of America, Great Britain, France and Germany have agreed on a permanent court of arbitration.

SITUATION IS HOPEFUL.
PARIS, August 11.—The situation in Morocco is reassuring. No further attacks have been made by the Moors on the European troops at Casablanca and it is hoped that the trouble is about over.

MORE SHIPS FOR JAPAN.
VANCOUVER, August 11.—Japanese shipping men have purchased the two Canadian Pacific railroad steamers Athenian and Tartar. The purchase price was four hundred thousand dollars.

STRIKE IS SPREADING.
CHICAGO, August 11.—The strike of the commercial telegraphers is spreading. The number of operators who are out in the thirty-nine cities affected by the strike number four thousand.

FIRE VISITS MANILA.
MANILA, August 11.—One hundred and twenty houses were burned here in a conflagration which started yesterday afternoon. Six hundred people are left homeless.

Humphrey president to succeed William Greer Harrison. L. M. Hoefler was elected vice president to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Kenneth Melrose some time ago. The first national bank, of which Rudolph Spreckels is president, called in its loan of \$40,000 and the club's bank account and the loan were transferred to the Bank of California.

JAPAN PLACES AN EMBARGO ON COAL

OPERATORS ALLOWED TO LOAD
NONE OF FUEL FOR EXPORT
FROM THE COUNTRY.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 23.—According to British naval officers who arrived from the Orient on the Empress of China en route to England from the China station, the Japanese Government has placed a positive embargo on the export of coal from Japan. Operators have been instructed to load no coal for export and steamers are supplied with only sufficient to complete the return voyage to Japan. This is said to be the reason why the Canadian Pacific railroad, which had several special ship loads of coal ordered during the Canadian coal strike, received but one. It is also stated on the best authority that the government has been inquiring for large shipments of Australian and Welsh coal the latter designed for coaling stations remote from Japan and probably in the vicinity of the Philippines.

The officers also state positively that the Japanese going to Mexico through Hawaii are all service men and veterans of the late Russian war.

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A. G. M. Robertson had a conference with Chief Justice Frear at his chambers in the Judiciary building Saturday morning. E. A. Mott-Smith, the incoming Secretary of Hawaii, also visited the Chief Justice at the same time.

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